

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: 1bd7b39587816e3bcf2e10ea487b0dba.jpeg

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 1900590.008

Medium: Image File

Publisher: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: Invercargill District Court

Classification:	Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 16 years.
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Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 21 February 2020

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: No notice of decision has been issued

Summary of reasons for decision:

The publication is an anime-style image depicting a female character who is partially nude. The age of the character is unclear but she does not unequivocally present as a young person, nor does the image have an exploitative tone. However, the nudity is sexualised. There is an international consensus that sexualised images of nude people and characters are unsuitable for children and young persons as this could negatively impact on their sexual development, behaviours, and expectations. The images are therefore classified R16. Although this classification places some limit on the right to freedom of expression as outlined in New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, this is the least restrictive limitation that will prevent injury to the public good.